

The following remarks, with which Mr. H. C. Wilson, Commissioner of Customs at Pien-tai, concludes his report on the trade of that port for the year 1884, are interesting as showing an exceptional condition of things commercial:

"Turning to export, it is curious to find that of the principal articles dealt in during the season the bulk were shipped on foreign account, as it is to be hoped that, as a set-off to disappointing quantities of imports, a fair share of profits has been thus reaped. If all accounts be true, good work in many instances purchased for export at prices considerably under the cost of production, and if first holders take money, it is reasonable to suppose that the markets shipped gained—unless, indeed, the home markets have tended to an extraordinary extent to the sale of the principal items. It is also to be noted that foreign merchants pay out prices for many goods, and that native firms account for fortunes as a result of the Indians' and Malays' trading disposition. The foreign firms are applied specially to the Pien-tai transactions for 1884, have proved to be completely erroneous.

Magistrate, but among the police horses were
for the, the man who struck the fatal blow
still missing.

A fire broke out in the New City on the
last, and before it was brought under control
several houses were burned down. The fire was
caused by the carelessness of the cook.

The Commander-in-Chief of the troops and
second in command have had a lengthy in-
terview with the Viceroy. The conversation re-
sulted in the following: The Government is
to have turned upon the Annam question
that there is a considerable proportion of op-
pugnatives here not at all indisposed to regard
the French with favour. They argue that the
French were so readily outwitted, the other
day by the Black Flags, they cannot be so
wide awake; they are subject to the surdus
the French will have even when reinforced,
argue that the country being difficult, it is
possible to wear out the patience of the French
before whom, too, the ultimate world fight
is.

The Lieutenant-Governor is, I hear, im-
posed.

smoke with a water-pipe and blew the smoke from the pipe into the faces of the men. This caused an explosion which ignited the flask in his hand, burning him badly; three of his companions were also burned, but not seriously. Fortunately there was more powder within reach, and the men are keeping up their vigilance, at the officials that Garrison the place are filled up and put on a "war-footing." Some of the black officers are substituting names for the names they have been drawing for. On the fifth of this month there was a parade of all the forces of this city and Hannibal to about five thousand strong. The regulars number about fifteen hundred, and very few body of men, though badly armed, were drilled. They were armed with the Tower musket, English rifle, converted flint and outdated American army muskets—telescopic-sight amongst them. Several companies of the regulars are still active, with the irregulars were armed apparently with kind of antiquated weapon used in warfare.

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